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BRITAIN BOMBED IN WAR'S WORST AIR RAID

American Sailors Are Attacked By Sinn Feiners In Cork 107 ARE KILLED, 86 HURT

RUSSIANS IN FULL RETREAT

German Warships Play Important Part in Forcing the Abandonment of Stronghold; Kaiser Congratulates Troops on "Brilliant Victory"

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

BERLIN, Germany, Sept. 4.—Several thousand prisoners and 150 guns were taken when German troops entered Riga yesterday. The city is now in flames at many points.

Kaiser Wilhelm, in a congratulatory message to Prince Leopold, commander of the northern German army, asked the commander to convey the thanks of himself and the German people to the officers and men for the brilliant victory, culminating in the capture of Riga.

PETROGRAD, Russia, Sept. 4.—Despatches received by the war office today tell of the continued retreat of the Slav army in a north-easterly direction from Riga, and the defeat seems complete.

German warships, according to official despatches, played an important part in compelling the Slav evacuation of Riga and Uthall, raining shells on the cities and coast line and preparing for the forward movement of German troops.

RIGA WAS ABANDONED THREE WEEKS AGO IS WASHINGTON REPORT

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 4.—It was learned today that officials here knew that Riga had been evacuated three weeks ago, but mystery seemed to surround the Russian movements, and much uneasiness was felt in government circles at that time.

GOES TO PRISON FOR FORGERY, GROSS CHEAT

Convicted of passing forged writing, Sam Peters today was sentenced by Circuit Judge Ashford to serve two and one-half years in Oahu prison and pay a fine of \$10. The defendant was also found guilty of six charges of gross cheat, and was sentenced to serve six months in prison on each charge, sentences to run concurrently.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

	Today	Fri. day
Alaska Gold	5	5 1/2
American Smelter	91 3/4	94
American Sugar Rfg.	106	110
American Tel. & Tel.	115 1/2	118 1/2
Anaconda Copper	65 1/2	68 1/2
Atchafalpa	96	98
Baldwin Loco.	56	57 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	66	68
Bethlehem Steel	102 1/2	104 1/2
Calif. Petroleum	17 1/2	16
Canadian Pacific	156 1/2	157 1/2
C. M. & St. P. (St. Paul)	62 1/2	66
Colo. Fuel & Iron	43	43
Crucible Steel	65 1/2	67 1/2
Erie Common	20 1/2	21 1/2
General Electric	145 1/2	147 1/2
General Motors, New	106	107 1/2
Great Northern Pfd.	102 1/2	104 1/2
Inter. Harv., N. J.	40	40 1/2
Kennecott Copper	40	40 1/2
Lahigh R. R.	58	60
New York Central	76	80
Pennsylvania	51 1/2	52
Ray Consol.	25 1/2	25 1/2
Reading Common	83	85 1/2
Southern Pacific	89 1/2	93
Studebaker	45	45 1/2
Texas Oil	180 1/2	182 1/2
Union Pacific	127 1/2	131 1/2
U. S. Steel	104 1/2	109 1/2
Utah	93 1/2	94 1/2
Western Union	90	91 1/2
Westinghouse	43 1/2	44 1/2

*Bid. †Ex-dividend. ‡Unquoted.

TRENCH ON TRENCH FALLS TO ITALIANS

General Cadorna's Troops After Overcoming Bitter Resistance of Austrians Make Steady Progress Toward Trieste—Foe's Communications Are Cut and Austrian Army's Retreat Is Hampered By Lack of Food and Water

UDINE, Italy, Sept. 4.—Smashing their way through the Austrian defenses, the Italian troops continue their steady march with Trieste first as their goal.

Trench after trench fell to Cadorna's victory-flushed troops today, after desperate hand-to-hand engagements. Austrian communications are reported cut, and the retreating army is suffering terribly from hunger and thirst, the terrific artillery fire preventing relief being brought up from the rear.

Cadorna's men are slowly creeping up the slopes of Monte San Gabriel, but are meeting the most desperate resistance.

PARIS, France, Sept. 4.—Violent Hun attacks at Hurbise and the Alsace were repulsed with bloody losses to the Germans.

French troops carried out several successful trench raids in the Champagne region and at Argonne.

BRITISH CASUALTIES FOR WEEK ARE 15,970

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

LONDON, Eng., Sept. 4.—The war office today posted the weekly casualty list for all fronts, showing that 364 officers and 3880 men had been killed, and 846 officers and 10,880 men wounded.

LONDON, Eng., Sept. 4.—It was announced today that during the month of August 24 Norwegian vessels had been sunk by Teuton sea tigers in the war zone and 28 lives were lost.

MAY ASK COURT TO COMPEL FERN TO SIGN ROLLS

Local Bank Will Refuse to Cash Warrants of City Heads Pending Litigation

Institution of mandamus proceedings against the mayor are being considered by the board of supervisors in the city attorney's office and City Treasurer D. L. Conkling. Simultaneous with this proposed action comes the announcement that a large local bank will refuse to accept and cash the pay warrants of the 11 heads of city departments pending the disposition of the injunction stop brought by L. L. McCandless to stop the salary of A. K. Vierra, park and playground superintendent, and to determine the question of the mayor's appointive power and the right of the present Republican heads of city departments to hold over in office.

That mandamus proceedings against the mayor are being considered was announced by Deputy City Attorney A. M. Cristy following a conference this morning with City Treasurer Conkling and an official of a large local bank. "At the conference it was suggested that the difficulty which has arisen between the mayor and supervisors might be brought to a head by mandamus proceedings to force the mayor to sign all payrolls passed by the board," said Attorney Cristy. "The matter is still under advisement, however, as the disposition of the suit brought by Mr. McCandless may bring some suggestions as to the speediest method to solve the question." The proposal to bring the mandamus proceedings against the mayor came from City Treasurer Conkling, he told the Star-Bulletin today, and added that it is likely that action may be taken late this afternoon. "My idea in this matter," says Treasurer Conkling, "is to protect the laborers of the city and county who

TRIED TO RESTORE DYNASTY

Grand Duke Michael and His Wife Accused of Attempting to Place Romanoff Head Again on Throne

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

PETROGRAD, Russia, Sept. 4.—Alleging complicity in the threatened revolution looking toward the restoration of the Romanoff dynasty in Russia, secret service agents today placed Grand Duke Michael, younger brother of ex-Czar Nicholas, and his wife under arrest.

Dimitri Paulovitch, another alleged conspirator, was also arrested in the police dragnet.

Officers of the provisional government for some time have been busy ferreting out the ring leader of a deep laid plot to place Nicholas again on the throne, and several sensational arrests have been pronounced.

Street Repair Work Held Up Three Months

Lack of funds with which to carry out even minor improvements, and a serious shortage in the oil supply, is playing havoc with roads in the city and county, according to reports emanating today from the city engineer's office.

According to City Engineer George Collins, who returned today from a vacation, the roads in the city and county should have been oiled all summer, but this has not been done because of a shortage in the oil supply, the present high price of oil and the lack of funds with which to purchase oil had it been on hand.

On the other hand, he points out, major repairs to roads have not even been carried out because of lack of funds. As conditions are at present, says Collins, there is a lack of money for maintenance, let alone oiling the streets. He declares it is a recognized fact that street oiling is one of the best forms of maintenance, and without this maintenance, roads become raveled and cost a great deal more to repair later on.

As regards the Manoa improvement job, it has been necessary for the city and county to take up with the Standard Oil Co. the matter of securing a quantity of oil at once as an emergency matter, and that company has agreed to let the city have 300 barrels. The Union Co. was unable to furnish oil as it has its own customers to satisfy, and contracts to fill.

The city, however, is able to get fuel oil for steam rollers and other like purposes, which are classed as regular needs. It is estimated by the city engineer's office that the city and county, during the three months this summer, could have used 1000 barrels of oil a month to advantage on its roads and streets. In addition to the high price of oil, it is pointed out, the price of labor and materials has gone up 50 per cent, while appropriations are about 50 per cent less than they used to be. Two years ago between \$15,000 and \$18,000 a month was available for road maintenance alone, while today it is around \$9000 a month. In addition to this, the increasing traffic over the roads and streets must be taken into consideration, says the city engineer's office. Engineer Collins declares that, if the city had the money, it probably would not be able to get all the oil it needs, although this phase of the present conditions has not been gone into fully.

JACKIES AND THEIR SWEETHEARTS MOBBED

Sauntering Along the Streets With Their Irish Colleens; Uncle Sam's Tars Are Set Upon and Roughly Handled By Gangs of Disloyal Irishmen

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

LONDON, Eng., Sept. 4.—American sailors were today given a sample of Sinn Fein disloyalty and hatred of England when a gang of roughs, singing Sinn Fein songs, attacked Uncle Sam's jackies in the streets of Cork, Ireland, while accompanied by their sweethearts, and roughly handled both the men and girls.

Sauntering along the streets, in their best behavior, in company with their Irish colleens; gangs suddenly set upon them, tore the hats from the girls' heads, and otherwise manhandled the men. It is believed by the police the affair was prearranged.

Irish Officers Also Victims. Quarters of Irish officers at the training camp near this city were also raided last night by a party of Sinn Feiners, who stole the weapons of the officers.

It is said on behalf of the American sailors that their conduct on the streets was well behaved, and up to now the men have been treated in the most friendly manner by the citizens of Cork.

TEACH SAMMIES HOW TO FOLLOW BARRAGE FIRE

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

AMERICAN CAMP IN FRANCE, Sept. 4.—Uncle Sam's boys in camp here are to indulge in barrage fire practice tomorrow to show how close they can follow the accurate curtain fire which is such an indispensable feature of the present day warfare.

British officers are coming to instruct the Americans in this line of action, and Pershing's men will have the benefit of British as well as French tactics shown them.

AUSTRIAN NAVAL PORT BOMBED BY ITALIAN AIRMEN

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

Heavy Damage is Wrought By Fire That Ensues in Hun's Adriatic Stronghold

ROME, Italy, Sept. 4.—Thirty Italian airplanes yesterday dropped nine tons of high explosive bombs on Pola, the great Austrian naval station on the Adriatic Sea. Following the explosions, great conflagrations were seen at different points of the city, and much destruction was done.

HUN MERCHANTS INDIGNANT OVER WILSON'S REPLY

AMSTERDAM, Holland, Sept. 4.—It was learned here today that the merchants of Bremen have sent a message to Kaiser Wilhelm in which they expressed their "indignant protest at President Wilson's hypocritical reply, and pledging their unalterable allegiance." The action of the Bremen merchants followed the same line as that taken by Hamburg residents, who a day or two previous sent a message of continued loyalty to the Hohenzollern dynasty.

David C. Kamaouha, one of the oldest and best officers of the local police department, has been promoted from the post of chauffeur of the city automobile, to that of sergeant, with duties at the receiving desk of the department. He assumed his new responsibilities last Saturday.

107 ARE KILLED, 86 HURT

Flock of Hun Planes Flying High Loose Bombs By the Score on East Coast, Taking Big Toll of Human Life Among Naval Dockyard Employees at Chatham

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

LONDON, Eng., Sept. 4.—The southeast coast was visited last night by one of the worst air bombardments this country has yet experienced.

Flying high overhead a flock of German planes dropped showers of bombs as they sped through the air, above Chatham, Kent county, the location of the great government dockyards. Most of the victims were naval employees of the dockyards. No details are given of any extensive damage to dockyard property.

The war office reports that altogether 107 were killed and 86 wounded in the city of Chatham alone, but as yet no advices have been received of damage done in the outlying districts in the path of the raiders. Only one civilian was killed and six were wounded in the raid.

Eyewitnesses declare the Hun planes were flying at a very high altitude when they loosed their bombs on the city, and were going at great speed.

LONDON, Eng., Sept. 4.—The war office today announced that the barracks at Chatham were hit by several bombs in the air raid last night, but that the navy dockyards escaped injury.

LETTERS IN BERG INQUEST DISCOVERED

Correspondence of Suspected German Officer Appears To Clear Him

Discovery of five letters which, it is said, were written by Lieut. Portwich, former officer of the erstwhile German gunboat Geier, to a local German and in which it was believed he made reference to the ante-mortem condition of Miss Florence Berg, Queen's hospital nurse, was the latest development in the police investigation to place responsibility for her death. Records of these letters are missing from the army censorship files.

Bruno Pilorz, superintendent of the firm of Gould & Ash, chemists, who lives at the Colonial hotel, volunteered the letters to the police following the revelations concerning the army investigation as unearthed last week by the Star-Bulletin and in the second hearing of the inquest.

The German is supposedly the "local German" to whom Lieut. Portwich addressed his letter in which he is said to have written that he had finally got rid of a nurse with whom he had been bothered for some time. The army investigation and the result of the inquest on Friday which centered around the military censor's report on these letters brought suspicion upon Lieut. Portwich in connection with the circumstances attending Miss Berg's death.

The letters from Mr. Pilorz do not involve Lieut. Portwich in any relations with Miss Berg, according to a statement made by Mr. Pilorz this morning. They have reference to a nurse, who had been working on the battle front in France, was here for a while, and then went to Canada. It was said that the nurse was spoken of as "Peggy" in the letters.

Mr. Pilorz stated this morning that Lieut. Portwich did not even have an acquaintance with Miss Florence Berg. He further stated that he had been in the company of the German officer a good part of the time before he was interned, and that he (Mr. Pilorz) was about the only person in town with whom the officer corresponded.

The police would not make public the contents of the letters this morning, but it was said that the statements in the letters were very much like what they were said to be by the army censor. With the new developments involved in the discovery of these five letters which are now in the possession of Deputy Sheriff Asch, questions of who will appear at the inquest at 2 o'clock on Thursday afternoon are arising. Nurses may now be called into the case, but as yet it appears that the police are undecided.